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In re Application of
Rohrbach et al.
Application No. 09/974,694
Filed: October 10, 2001
Attorney Docket Number: H0001541
Title of Invention: Filter Apparatus For
Removing Sulfur-Containing Compounds From
Liquid Fuels, And Methods Of Using Same

DECISION GRANTING PETITION

This is a decision on the "Request For Corrected Filing Receipt" filed on April 8, 2004 which is being treated as a petition under 37 CFR 1.10 (c) , requesting that the above-identified application be accorded a filing date of October 10, 2001, rather than the presently accorded filing date of October 11, 2001.

Petitioner contends the application was deposited in Express Mail service on October 10, 2001. In support, petitioner supplied a copy of Express Mail receipt No. ET 753588891US (the same Express Mail number found on the itemized transmittal sheet accompanying the original application papers located in the official file). A review of the United States Postal Service's Express Mail Label shows the Express Mail package was accepted by the United States Postal Service on October 10, 2001.

In view of the above, the petition is Granted.

There is no indication that the person signing the present petition was ever given a power of attorney or authorization of agent to prosecute the above-identified application. If the person signing the present petition desires to receive future correspondence regarding this application, the appropriate power of attorney or authorization of agent must be submitted

The application is being forwarded to Office of Initial Patent Examination for correction of the filing date to October 10, 2001 and issuance of a corrected Filing Receipt.

Telephone inquiries specific to this matter should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 306-0251.



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